

March 13, 2007

Honorable Don Perata
Senate President Pro Tempore
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Confirmation of Timothy Alan Simon to the Public Utilities Commission

Dear Senator Perata,

We respectfully request that you support the confirmation of Timothy Simon's appointment to the California Public Utilities Commission. Mr. Simon is academically and professionally well qualified to serve on the Commission. He has and continues to make significant contributions to the state and the state's disadvantaged communities. Also, he is a highly respected member of the African American community.

Mr. Simon's background in business, financial services and regulatory law prepares him to immediately become as a significant asset to the Public Utilities Commission. Mr. Simon is committed to protecting the public interest by promoting consumer needs, while challenging utilities to embrace new technologies and provide safe, high-quality services. Further, Mr. Simon is committed to the Public Utilities Commission's efforts to seek affordable, reliable and a more environmentally-friendly energy supply.

As a lawyer and a public servant, Mr. Simon has demonstrated the skill, intellect and temperament to serve on the Public Utilities Commission. We believe that you would be proud of your confirmation of Mr. Simon. California needs individuals of his caliber, experience and commitment as a member on the Commission.

The members of the Caucus would like to meet with you to discuss the confirmation process for Mr. Simon. Please contact Assemblymember Dymally at (916) 319-2052 to advise us of your availability.

Very truly yours,

Assemblymember Mervyn M. Dymally
Chair, Legislative Black Caucus - 52nd District

Assembly Majority Leader Karen Bass
Vice Chair, Legislative Black Caucus – 47th District

Senator Edward Vincent – Senate District 25th

Assemblymember Wilmer Amina Carter – 62nd District

Assemblymember Mike Davis – 48th District

Assemblymember Curren Price, Jr. – 51st District

Assemblymember Laura Richardson – 55th District

Assemblymember Sandré Swanson – 16th District